

# Sq'éwqel Youth Wildfire Training Program 2025

### **Program Outline:**

This program is designed to provide youth (age 15-30) with a comprehensive understanding of wildfire, while also giving them practical skills for both safety and employment in the field of wildfire fighting. The progressive nature of the program ensures that participants build foundational knowledge and skills. They start with the basics of wildfire and move towards more advanced training, including hands-on experience with professionals.

**Wildfire Basics Workshop (2 days) – March 29 and 30** Participants will learn and engage in both theoretical and hands-on activities offering both practical knowledge and an understanding of the basic dynamics of wildfires and firefighting.

#### S100 and S185 Certification Course (2 days) - April 5 and 6

Participants will learn theoretical and practical skills and come out with a certificate in S100 (Fire Suppression and Safety) and S185 (Fire Entrapment and Avoidance) upon completion. Both certificates are required to work on a wildfire crew.

#### Fire Mitigation Awareness (2 days) - April 26 and 27

Participants will learn to reduce the risk and impact of wildfires through a combination of prevention strategies, education, tabletop scenarios and preventative measures that can be taken. It focuses on educating individuals to minimizing the likelihood of wildfire interface, potential spread, and enhancing the preparedness of individuals in fire-prone areas.

#### Bucket Brigade (5 days) - Dates to be Determined

Participants will learn a variety of skills from Ambipar professionals. These courses will be an in-depth look into wildfire deployments, operations, and culture.

**Topics to be Covered Will be:** more advanced wildfire strategies, deployment of gear on a larger scale, running equipment, going over the phonetic alphabet & 24-hour clock, introduction into leadership fundamentals and how to manage crews, scenarios given out to teams, youth being placed into leadership positions and assisted with tasks guided by the instructors.

#### **Job Shadowing**

Participants aged 18 or older will have the opportunity to schedule job shadowing with Ambipar Response where experienced crews will coach, mentor, and guide a group of individuals through their training routine before wildfire season.

Students will talk to, and work with active medical and fire personnel going over a wide variety of skills, and helpful tips before fire season.

Upon completion of these programs and the job shadowing portion participants could be offered a position for an active wildfire deployment with Ambipar Response.

## **Participant Registration**

#### **Participant Expectations:**

Participants are expected to complete all portions of the program, excluding job shadowing. Job shadowing will be based on age, scheduling, and up to the discretion of Ambipar Response.

All PPE will be provided. Some portions of the training will be held outside. Participants are expected to dress for the weather.

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Please contact Danika Snook, Seabird Island's Emergency Manager, for further information about the program.

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